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A TENSE WEEK

As this is being written (Monday), a very explosive situation has developed in distant Korea. It is a tense moment and Seoul could become another Serajavo. We trust for wise decisions, but there is no point in understating the importance of what happens this week.

Communist troops from North Korea violated the 38th parallel border and moved into South Korean territory. The South Korean capital is hardly a day's march from the border.

America is involved in what happens in this exciting episode, and so the peace of the world is involved.

The North Korean Communists are definitely linked with Moscow. It is difficult to conceive that the provocative and offense action could have been taken with Moscow's approval.

What can, and what should the United States do about it? (remember, this is written Monday, before we are appraised of the decisions made Sunday night at Blair House).

First, we can do nothing about it, and let South Korea be sacrificed to Communist aggression.

Second, we can leave it to the United Nations, a body which, be it said, issued a prompt cease fire request, but which has no force save uncertain sanctions to back up its request.

Third, as the major power most directly involved, we can deliver a "war or peace" ultimatum to Moscow and take the consequences and the responsibilities thereof.

Fourth, we can rush arms and all possible aid to South Korea and put the decision before the moral conscience of the world.

We favor this fourth position. If South Korea caves in, we can not fight an all out war then. But if South Korean troops show the will to fight stoutly, then we can give them the tools for a successful bout with the Communists.

Any action in an explosive situation involves risks. Even were an aggressor only bluffing, such an incident can get out of hand. But if we pursue any other course, the ultimate consequences could be even more dire. The sacrifice of Nanking, Manchuria, Ethiopia and Czecho-Slovakia were marked steppingstones to World War II. We cannot repeat that process. The airlift saved Berlin. If South Korea sticks to its guns, it can be saved. If the South Koreans don't resist, nothing much can be done.

Let us pray that peace can be preserved, and that wise decisions will be made.

CAROLINA ELECTION

Our sister state of North Carolina, has chosen a big time corporation lawyer for the Senate, over a big-time educator. It is Willis Smith over Frank Graham, by 20,000 in a 540,000-vote run-off election.

We do not know enough about the local issues involved to attempt to "explain" the results. We were in Eastern North Carolina a few weeks before the primary and found virtually no interest in the election, save for local county contests. But, we do observe that politics is a business all its own, and lawyers take to politics more successfully than did those of most other professions. The difficulties faced by Woodrow Wilson were enough to show that no matter how brilliant one might be in the field, politic is something else. And the Hoover administration bore further testimony: engineer to politician was a big jump. Frank Graham was among the most outstanding of Southern educators. He led the University at Chapel Hill to great heights. As an interim Senator, he had the problem of learning a new trade in a hurry.

An interesting study might well be made as to how well politicians fare when they try their hands as educators. The standards of measurement are not the same. In politics, you must keep on winning election. In education it takes a long time to appraise results. Take the case of three recent switches to education: Eisenhower, Stassen and our own Colgate Darden. How are they doing? Hard to tell. Thus far, apparently, very well.

The results in North Carolina are not too closely linked with those in Florida. Claude Pepper and Frank Graham were different. We see in the Graham defeat the simple fact that a great educator has a hard task to build a political machine in a few months. It is like sending the freshman squad against the Notre Dame varsity.

SUPER HIGHWAYS

It costs scads of money, but lots of states are pouring out millions of dollars to construct super highways. They are beautiful four-lane, dual traffic roads. And they are for through passenger car traffic. You see no trucks on them. And you see few towns, either, for they are bypassed. And the pay-off is that you see few accidents on them.

The trucking business is a great business now. But trucks and through passenger-car traffic do not mix well, especially in piedmont and mountain areas.

These new super highways are being constructed so rapidly that the map and route makers have a big job keeping up with them. But they are making for a safer road system. They may be the answer to carnage on the travel lanes.

OLD-FASHIONED NOTION

(St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

Some British comic book versions of such classics as "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" and "Robinson Crusoe" are not suitable for American children because their language is too high-flown and they do not entertain or amuse, a U. S. Customs Court has ruled.

Maybe British childre are smarter than American kids.

Or maybe Britons still cling to that quaint, old-fashioned notion that books ought to raise levels of taste and knowledge.

A GOOD SERVICE

(Detroit Free Press)

As they do periodically, counterfeiters are just now giving the Secret Service a bad time. And as they always do, the Secret Service operatives will eventually catch up with the funny money men.

It perhaps doesn't occur to the citizen, but the Secret Service is just as important to the validity of money he haggles as any stored gold or silver. By its skill and persistence, it guarantees that currency is good.

Were the Secret Service ineffectual, paper currency would be extremely dubious stuff to accept, and even hard money wouldn't be any too trustworthy.

Charges filed with Gov. Battle against Circuit Court Judge Leon Bazile.

U. S. may call for strong sanctions against Korean Reds.

Reporter declares that the South Koreans outclassed in fight.

Plane crash in Austrilia kills 26.

Detroit clings to top spot in the American League.

—Reprinted from Charleston, W. Va., Gazette.

FROZEN FOODS: VII

By Roy E. Moser, Jr., Fruit and Vegetable Processing Specialist, Extension Service, V. P. I.

Frozen peas are one of our best frozen foods. If frozen properly, they can hardly be distinguished from peas fresh out of the garden. And they are easy to freeze properly. Thomas Laxton, Telephone, Wando, and Freezonian are four varieties which have been recommended for freezing in Virginia. Pick the peas for freezing when they are at their best for use as a fresh vegetable.

Peas lose their quality rapidly. They lose their sweetness quickly. Shelled peas deteriorate faster than unshelled ones. Therefore, freeze the peas as soon as possible after picking and immediately after shelling. Wash shelled peas and sort out the over-ripe ones, and any other undesirable pieces of split peas, skin, or trash.

Blanch for one minute in boiling water. Count the time from the moment the water returns to a boil after the peas have been added. At the end of one minute, remove the peas and put them in ice water until cold all the way through. Drain. Peas are packed dry. Fill them into a moisture-vapor proof package, leaving one-half inch of headspace. Press out the air, and seal the package. Place in the locker immediately and freeze at 0 degrees F.

HOMEMAKERS' ITEMS

When you're machine sewing on sheer fabrics such as voile, chiffon, organdie, and tissue gingham, use a fine machine need.. Home economists at VPI suggest a size 11.

Delicate flavored honey is on the list of plentifuls. That means it's a good buy. Here are some ways you can use it. Spread it on toast, waffles, muffins, pancakes, and other hot breads. You may like it in salad dressings, custards and puddings. Try honey in making candied vegetables and for glazing ham. Honey also adds flavor to jellies, jams, fruits and cereals.

Summer is a season when your living, and your homemaking should be as easy as possible. So why not put away the winter knick-knacks you may have in your rooms. Concentrate on having one or two bowls of fresh flowers. With other ornaments stored away, your cleaning job will be easier. And for less washing and ironing, use place mats of cork, plastic, or straw, instead of tablecloths.

Starch may be the villain behind the scratches on your iron. When starch sticks and scorches on a hot iron, many women are tempted to scratch it off with a knife, and that mars the plate of the iron. Here are a few simple ways for removing the starch without damaging your iron. If the iron is hot, shake salt on a piece of paper, and rub the iron back and forth over the salt until the starch rubs off. You can remove the starch from a cool iron by scouring it with fine steel wool or a moist cloth dipped in fine scouring powder. Sometimes, just rubbing with a moist cloth will do the job.

CLUB MEMBERS TAKE PART IN DAIRY FOODS PROGRAM

June is dairy month. Milk production hits its annual high, and according to dairy specialists at V. P. I., this month may set an all-time high in Virginia.

Trying for a record, too, are some 1,100 Virginia 4-H girls who are thinking up new ways to use the abundant supply of milk. They are participating in the 1950 National 4-H Dairy Foods Demonstration program, and will vie for top honors in county, state, and national competition.

The 4-Hers work individually, and in teams, to show club members and other groups the latest methods of preparing tasty, nutritious dairy foods.

SHIFT IN POTATO PRODUCTION SEEN ON SHORE, NORFOLK AREA

Shoppers are showing preference to Sebago and Long White potatoes as grocery stores these days.

Dr. J. L. Maxton, marketing specialist at V. P. I., says those two varieties are selling for $1.00 or more per 100 pounds than Cobblers at the wholesale level.

This trend is a continuation from 1949, and forewarned, growers in the Norfolk area planted about half their crop with Sebagos. The Norfolk crop is expected to be about 1,250,000 bushels this year, and the shift to Sebagos should return about $400,000 more to growers than they would have received if they had planted all Cobblers.

On the Eastern Shore, about 35 per cent of the 6,000,000 bushels are varieties other than Cobblers. The growers there who shifted to Sebagos, LaSelles, Kennebecs, etc., are due for a $700,000 increase in returns.

Dr. Maxton lists these tips for efficient potato marketing:

Dig potatoes after 5 P. M. and haul them out of the field before 8 A. M. the next day. Wash, grade and package them either in consumer or wholesale pack. Wholesalers are now moving large quantities of potatoes in consumer packages of 10 pounds, and in ventilated tubs, crates and baskets, in preference to 100 pound sacks.

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Evergreen

Evergreen, June 27.- The Bible School closed here Wednesday night with a program, which was enjoyed by all.

There was quite a large crowd here at the Baptist Church Saturday night to attend the marriage of Miss Gwendolyn Paulette to Mr. George Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Reynolds and son, Donald called to see Mrs. Howard Glover and family on Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Blackwell and son were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Green Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Meadows, of Richmond visited her aunt, Mrs. Jessie Staples recently.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Staples called to see Mrs. G. W. Glover Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Inge and son, of Pamplin visited Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hamilton and family over the week-end.

Paul Ferguson, of Lynchburg was the Sunday dinner guest of his sister, Mrs. Howard Glover and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hatcher and J. L. Evans visited Mrs. Evans in Catawba last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Evans, of Keanoke were recent visitors with his sisters, Miss Blannie Evans and Mrs. Tom Hodge.

Jack Hodge had the misfortune to get effects of a nail stuck in his foot.

Mrs. C. J. Paulette was Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Franklin and family.

Misses Jackie and Sherry White spent Sunday with Miss Ann Hodges.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dalton and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Dalton visited Mr. and Mrs. T. E. LeGrande Sunday.

Mrs. Glover spent Monday night with his sister, Mrs. J. C. Staples.

Oakville

Oakville, June 28.- Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hamilton and Mrs. Robert Glover and children spent several days last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lucado.

Miss Geraldine Lucado spent last week with her aunt, Mrs. Warren Harris in Bedford.

Miss Gail Hillsman, who had her tonsils removed last week, is improving nicely.

The Vacation Bible School was held this week at Red Oak Baptist Church, with a good attendance.

Mrs. C. Roland Smith spent several days in Richmond with relatives. Mrs. C. Roland Smith, Jr., and son returned home with her for a day's visit.

Little Jean Page spent this week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Page.

Miss Gail Drinkard is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. Burnette Smith in Lynchburg.

Jerry Smith, of Lynchburg, is visiting relatives here this week.

Leonard McCormick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis McCormick, is a patient in a hospital in Lynchburg, for an appendicitis operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Reynolds and daughter visited her parents this week.

Miss Helen Martin spent last week-end with her mother, Mrs. E. B. Martin.

The Red Oak B. T. U. had a "weiner roast" at Halliday Lake last Saturday evening.

Richwood

Richwood, June 27.- "The simple believes every word: but the prudent man looks well to his going."

Divine services at Central Baptist Church at 11 A. M. Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Paulette and children were the week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh called to see Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh at Rocks Friday afternoon.

Mrs. John M. Clapp and daughter returned home to Richmond last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunter were the week-end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hunter.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Pugh were Mr. and Mrs. Atwell Powell and son, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Woodall, E. R. Davis and son, Miss Myrna Boaze and Edward Smith and Mrs. J. H. Fleshman and son, J. H.

Pamplin

Pamplin, June 27.- Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Terry were Mr. and Mrs. Chat Terry and daughter, Mary Sue, and Mrs. Wingfield, of Appomattox, and George Abbitt Terry, of Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Brockwell, of Newport News are visiting relatives in the neighborhood.

Dinner guests Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Harvey were Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Harvey, of Evergreen and Mr. and Mrs. Berk Guill, of Appomattox.

R. P. Harris, of Pulaski, is visiting his sister, Mrs. N. L. McClenny.

Mrs. J. W. D. Canada has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. John Bessernus, of Richmond.

Linwood Pelot is spending part of his vacation in New York with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nash, of Newport News visited relatives here on Sunday.

Mrs. C. D. Canada and children spent Sunday with relatives at Ashland.

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